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SUBJ: CIVAIR: GOB HINTS AT UNFAVORABLE RESPONSE TO U.S. APPROACH

REF: BRIDGETOWN 1015

1. EMBASSY HAS UNSUCCESSFULLY MADE REPEATED ATTEMPTS TO OBTAIN GOB REACTION FROM FORDE TO US APPROACH LAST WEEK RE PROPOSED GOB ROUTE REDUCTIONS FOR US CARRIERS. (REFTEL); HOWEVER, FORDE HAS PUT US OFF SAYING THAT PREPARATION OF COORDINATED GOB RESPONSE WOULD "TAKE SOME TIME." ON JUNE 18, FORDE INFORMED US THAT, IN VIEW OF HIS NEW POSITION AS PERMSEC MINEXTAFF, HE WAS TURNING OVER ENTIRE MATTER TO IAN ARCHER WHO, AS ACTING PERMSEC IN PM'S OFFICE, WOULD PROPERLY HANDLE ALL AVIATION NEGOTIATIONS. FORDE STATED THAT EMBASSY SHOULD DEAL WITH PM'S OFFICE FROM NOW ON.

2. ARCHER TOLD US THIS MORNING THAT GOB WAS STILL CONSIDERING US APPROACH AND EXPECTED TO RESPOND FORMALLY "NEXT WEEK." UPON BEING ASKED WHETHER PM HAD REACTED TO POINTS MADE LAST WEEK BY AMBASSADOR AND TO OUR AIDE MEMOIRE, ARCHER LAUGHED AND INDICATED THAT PM HAD INDEED REACTED. TO FURTHER QUERIES, ARCHER SAID THAT HE "DID NOT ANTICIPATE SMOOTH SAILING IN VIEW OF US RESPONSE." ARCHER ADDED THAT IF GOB FAILED TO

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OBTAIN INTERIM ROUTE IT HAD ALREADY ACCEPTED "THINGS COULD

BE VERY BAD." HE DISCLOSED THAT US APPROACH HAD BEEN SET
BEFORE PM PRIOR TO HIS DEPARTURE FOR BAHAMAS BUT THAT THERE
HAD BEEN TIME ONLY FOR AN IMMEDIATE REACTION.

3. COMMENT: ARCHER'S REMARKS WERE MADE IN SUCH A FASHION
AS TO IMPLY CLEARLY THAT PM REMAINED UNCONVINCED BY US APPROACH
AND THAT GOB WOULD RESPOND ACCORDINGLY.

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